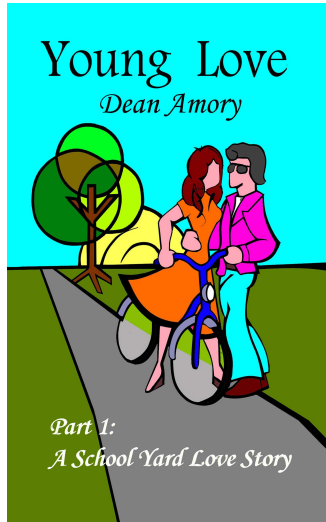


YOUNG LOVE

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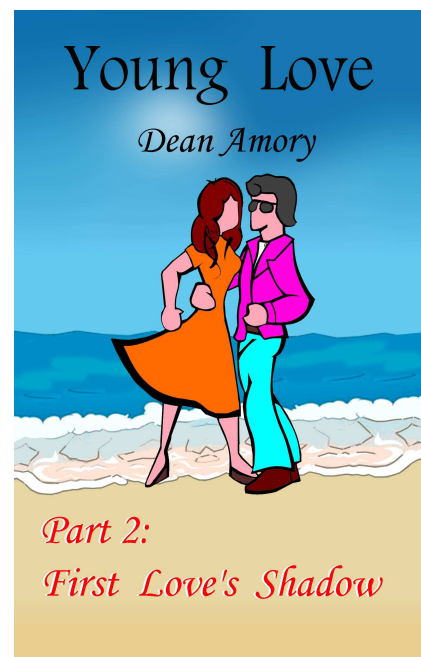
In “[Young Love part 1, A school Yard Love Story](#)”, Sean and Katherine fall in love the first day they meet. But Katherine breaks up when things become too serious, and risk to disrupt her studies and the good understanding with her parents.

For Sean, being dumped is hard enough, but things become really complicated when Katherine promises she will return to him after they graduate from high school. Unfortunately, his heart is broken and he never believes love is something one can switch off and on deliberately. After trying for months to convince Katherine to reconsider, Sean gives up. But with Katherine always nearby, he never really manages to distance himself from her.

The sequel “[Young Love Part 2, First Love’s Shadow](#)”, starts at the beginning of the summer holiday. Sean has accepted a holiday job at a hotel in a seaside resort. He tries to move on with his life. It’s difficult though to forget about Katherine, when so many of the issues he experiences in his new relationships look almost identical to what he went through before with her.

At the start of their last year at school, Sean and Katherine discover that it’s not always simple to spend most active hours of every life in the same classroom with your ex. Someone you loved and adored with all of your being and with whom it’s still easy to talk because they know and understand you.

After some time, Katherine invites Sean to date again. Will they lay their hearts on the line again? Are second chances really possible? Can recreating the past help the young couple to create a different future? And is Sean even willing to accept the terms Katherine's offer comes with?



About Young Love, part 1: "A Schoolyard Love Story"

Sean is only seventeen, but the serious issues he faces when he falls in love with his new class mate, Katherine, resonate also with older readers.

Theirs is a complicated relationship from the start. Readers will appreciate the realistic depiction of the tortured hero's psychological struggle after the heroine ends the relationship, especially when it becomes clear that both young people remain drawn to each other anyway and struggle to regain their balance during the rest of the school year.

A refreshing high school romance set in Europe, Flanders, in the early seventies of the previous century with a total lack of stereotyping, that has it all: it's witty, bittersweet, touching and rich in culture and history. The story depicts all the uncertainties and overpowering emotions that come with true young love in a most original and genuine way.

About Young Love, part 2: "First Love's Shadow"

Dean Amory, author of the critically acclaimed coming of age novel "[Young Love, A Schoolyard Love Story](#)", returns with a poignant, striking sequel that skilfully captures the singular experience of being a teenager: "[Young Love, First Love's Shadow](#)". Dean Amory chronicles the hero's life through the thrills, heartbreaks, joy and despair of the final year in high school and the consecutive transition to a labour environment.

After the traumatic end of the school year, Sean leaves for the Flemish seaside resort Ostend, where he will work at hotel Brabant during the summer holiday. Away from Katherine, he opens up again, meets new people and falls in love again but past experiences are haunting him and he must face some hard truths about himself. Torn between old dreams and new hopes, he questions himself and the rules he's always lived by. By the time he returns home after the summer holiday, he feels reborn and ready to face the world.

But is he also ready to face Katherine? When she broke up, she had a simple plan: put studies before love and return to Sean after graduating from high school only. Seeing how Sean has distanced himself from her, she realizes she is running the risk of losing him completely and invites him to reunite with her until the end of the school year, at which point she wants to re evaluate her life.

Are second chances really possible? Can recreating the past help the young couple to create a different future? And is Sean even willing to accept her terms?

In this imaginative, surprising and complex page-turner, which will certainly appeal to all fans of young adult and new adult romance novels, Dean Amory has brought a vivid, clever and heartfelt portrayal of what it's like to be a teenager in love. "Young Love Part 2, First Love's Shadow" is a gripping story in which the distance between lost and found is often less than a text line long.

Some Comments:



Great writing! Could not stop reading!!

When I first picked up this book I wasn't all that sure I would like it, but I was pleasantly surprised when I read it. Now I can say with complete honesty that I enjoyed the story very much and am so glad I picked it! The story drew me in and I felt all the joy and all the pain. It was intelligent and well developed and the dynamic between the main characters was great.

I really enjoyed the characters. The characters are very well written: they have substance, and are unique without ever being overdone. The author didn't go over the top with unrealistic scenes, though sometimes I became frustrated with Sean and even yelled at him once or twice. He took his time and you felt him struggle with his feelings.

I was a little sad at some times and even cried at one point. His heartbreak over losing Katherine was really sad. I was left with a little bit of hmmm a hang. All in all it was a sweet read and wish this author only success with many more to come.

*Total recommend for someone who's looking for a really good, original romance novel.
(Nele)*

I usually don't leave reviews, but this book was TOO good not to. This is an incredible book that you will not regret reading. The story really caught me up in it. It had me hooked within minutes and I couldn't put it down! I love this type of stories because they give you that feeling of first love discovery and transport you back to the days of high school and the emotional highs and lows of young love.

The book is very well written and unique because it takes the boy's point of view, which is rather unusual for a romance. Also, it isn't as superficial as most romance stories: you really get to know the main characters very well. Especially Sean of course. To me, it was unexpected who he ended up with. Throughout the book, I kept hoping Sean and Katherine would come together in the end, after they finished school. After all, they loved each other, had known each other for years and had always been there for each other, even when they were not so close. I can honestly say that my feelings were hurt when they did not, even though they probably made the best choice for themselves.

I hope the author will consider publishing the book with an alternate ending with Sean picking Katherine, after they finally realize they've been each other's true love all along! Definitely recommend this book. I will be buying other books by this author.

(Megan)

I'm so glad to have come across this book! This truly is a gem! I have absolutely enjoyed reading it! I fell in love with the characters right away and felt as if I were in high school right along beside them. They are totally realistic and relatable. I loved the special bond Sean and Katherine shared.

The story had me go through a roller coaster of emotions. The plot line was sweet and endearing but also honest and never too sappy! Even though Sean's heart gets broken along the way, he refuses to settle for anything less than true love. I'm so glad for the silver lined cloud in the end.

The story is paced evenly throughout the book with no huge time jumps or overworking of parts. I would definitely recommend you purchase this book. You will not be disappointed!

(Sharon)



Wow, I loved this book! Really amazing! This book contains a well thought story plot. The characters are genuine, and their decisions easy to understand.

Sean's personal struggle adds just enough drama, but I most of all adored Katherine. Unlike Sean, she does not allow her hormones to rule her life and fights for what she knows is right, even if this means that she has to suffer a lot.

I absolutely loved this book!
(Caroline)

Wonderful book. I literally just finished it and am sitting here a little stunned by how much I liked it. From the beginning I felt a connection with Sean. I absolutely loved this story! It had me smiling, made me feel sad, even crying and on edge. I was amazed at how well written it was. The book is easy to understand, but also very different to the usual superficial falling-in-and-out-of-love kind of teen romance. I loved it!

This is definitely one of the better young adult romance novels I have read in a long time! Anybody who loves a great teen romance should definitely read this book.
(Madelyn)

Wow, "Young Love" is absolutely awesome and I really enjoyed reading it. I don't usually read young adult books because I thought they are too juvenile for me. But I decided to give it a shot anyway. After reading Young Love, I am persuaded otherwise! The story captivated me from the start. I really liked this book. It was so full of emotions that it overwhelmed me sometimes.

The story is good and it's well-written. I was able to connect to the characters and feel the emotion they were going through. I started reading it last night and couldn't put it down anymore. I finished it about 15 minutes ago.

My emotions were everywhere! The book reminds me of my own life story.

I appreciated the honesty with which the author describes Sean's personal struggle.

The boy took my heart away just because he's not perfect or fake, but one hundred percent authentic. And Katherine was so strong! Doing the right thing all the time even though she knew it would cause her pain.

(Abigail)

Young Love is available at:

Lulu.com

<http://www.lulu.com/shop/dean-amory/young-love-part-1-a-school-yard-love-story/paperback/product-22211969.html>

<http://www.lulu.com/shop/dean-amory/young-love-part-2-first-loves-shadow/paperback/product-22225251.html>

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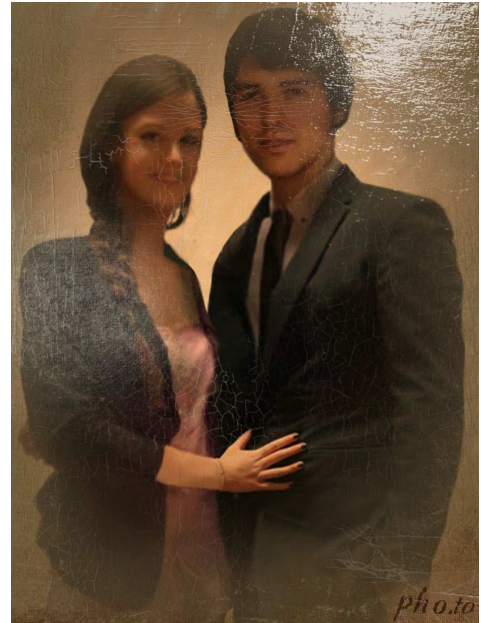
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More about Young Love

There is something endearing and innocent about young love; it's irresistible.

Here are two unconventional young adult romance novels with a unique rhythm that echoes the cadence and energy of youth, and a wonderful underlying pulse that quickly captures your imagination. [YOUNG LOVE](#) is a unique and welcome look at love and romance from the young man's perspective. It looks at first love in diverse and unconventional ways, which is what we need in young adult novels today:

[YOUNG LOVE Part 1, A School Yard Love Story](#), follows Sean as he meets the smart and witty Katherine on the first day of the new school year. Although Katherine questions what his true intentions are, and doesn't always like his behaviour, she cannot help falling in love with him. But when their relationship threatens to ruin her studies and the understanding at home, she breaks up.

When he discovers that Katherine cannot shake him from her mind, Sean struggles to live up to her expectations and restore their bond. In the process, he is forced to have a good look at himself and to discover his own identity. Slowly, he finds that it's okay not to have all the answers.

[In Young Love Part 2, First Love's Shadow](#), we follow the two during their last year at highschool. During a two month holiday job at a seaside resort, Sean has managed to distance himself from Katherine. After the return to school however, Katherine realizes she's about to lose him for ever and invites him to reunite. But her invitation comes with a condition.

Will they lay their hearts on the line again? Are second chances really possible? Can recreating the past help the young couple to create a different future? And is Sean even willing to accept the terms Katherine's offer comes with?

If you're looking for a great contemporary romance check out [YOUNG LOVE](#).

[YOUNG LOVE](#) is a wonderful contemporary romance. Dean Amory does an excellent job at giving us humor and characters that have depth, and portraying love, heartbreak and fate in this great coming-of-age story. He gives us the thoughts and musings of young adults, and shows us that in a world seemingly without a cure, there is always hope in one form or another.

Dean Amory is a master at writing characters that come alive on the page. The emotional tension between Sean and Katherine is beautifully written. You really get a good sense of what both characters are feeling. The sweetness of young love. The anguish of regret. The sadness of time lost. Not only did I fall in love with Sean and Katherine, but I really enjoyed watching Sean struggle to become the person he wanted to be and remain honest and consequent, even when his decisions came with an obvious cost.

I don't know about you, but I totally love high school romance stories, especially when they involve young people trying to become the best they can. I highly recommend this book. It's a wonderful read, and it leaves you with a sigh and a smile.